

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

HEADQUARTERS, US ARMY MEDICAL RESEARCH AND MATERIEL COMMAND 810 SCHREIDER STREET FORT DETRICK, MARYLAND 21702-5000

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

Office of the Secretary of the General Staff FOIA #FA-19-0001

12 December 2018

Dr. Remington Nevin MuckRock News DEPT MR 63042 411A Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02144-2516

Dear Dr. Nevin:

This is in response to your 30 November 2018 Freedom of Information Act request for documents concerning and related to the USAMMDA Tafenoquine Celebration held at Fort Detrick, MD. Enclosed are the documents responsive to your request. Additionally, a DVD video of the Tafenoquine Ceremony has been mailed to your requested address. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, information has been withheld (redacted) pursuant to the following exemptions:

Exemption 5 permits the withholding of information under the deliberative process privilege, including pre-decisional documents, **Draft Documents**, or information that could be withheld under civil discovery, attorney-client, or attorney-work product privileges. Deliberative information consists of recommendations or opinions on legal, policy, or other matters. Pre-decisional information includes inter-agency or intraagency communications that are antecedent to the adoption of the agency decision. Exemption 5 protects against the premature disclosure of proposed policies and recommendations before they are finally adopted and protects against public confusion that might result from the disclosure of reasons and rationales that may not ultimately be the grounds for an agency's action.

Exemption (b)(6) - Permits the government to withhold information about individuals when the disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion into the personal privacy of a third person. When weighing the public interest in knowing how the government works against the privacy interests of individual persons we may conclude that the requested record contains data of a personal nature and that no significant public interest will be served in the release of that information. Pursuant to Exemption (b)(6), Personally Identifiable Information (PII), to include names, personnel information, social security numbers, email addresses and telephone numbers have been redacted.

In response to your request for records pertaining to PowerPoint presentations, records of attendance, payment and/or the reimbursement for any civilian and military travel, and any incidental expense, to include the ceremonial cake, please be advised that no government funds were expended and therefore there are no records responsive to this portion of your request.

All photographs from the event are publically available and can be accessed at https://www.flickr.com/photos/usammda/albums/72157702664386074

Because your request has been partially denied (redacted), you are advised of your right to appeal this determination to the Secretary of the Army. If you decide to appeal at this time, your appeal must be submitted within 90 days of the date of this notification. In your appeal, you must state the basis for your disagreement with the partial denial and the justification for the release of information associated with your request for this command. Your appeal should be addressed to: CDR U.S. Army Medical Command, Attention: Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts Office (MCPA), 2748 Worth Road, JBSA, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-6021, for forwarding, as appropriate, to the Office of the Secretary of the Army. Please enclose a copy of this response along with your Appeal. To ensure proper processing of any appeal, the letter and the envelope should both bear the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Should you have any questions pertaining to the processing of the document I may be reached at (301)-619-7438 or email shalli.l.keller.civ@mail.mil

Respectfully,

Shalli L. Keller

Staff Action Control Officer

Freedom of Information Act Officer

U.S. Army Medical Research and

Material Command

Enclosure



Major General Barbara R. Holcomb, Commanding General, United States Army Medical Research and Materiel Command and Fort Detrick cordially invites you to attend the

Tafenoquine Recognition Ceremony
to acknowledge the achievement
of Food and Drug Administration approval
after many years of effort by
Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity,
U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command and
Commercial Partner, 60 Degrees Pharmaceuticals

on Thursday, the twenty fifth of October two thousand eighteen at one-thirty in the afternoon

> Fort Detrick Auditorium 1520-B Freedman Drive Fort Detrick, Maryland

Reception immediately following ceremony

R.S.V.P. by 22 October 2018 POC: (b)(6)

Military: Duty Uniform Civilian: Business Attire

Click Here to R.S.V.P.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

Welcome
Major Victor E. Zottig

Arrival of Official Party

National Anthem

Invocation
Chaplain (LTC) Anthony Taylor

Opening Remarks/USAMMDA Commander Colonel John "Ryan" Bailey

> WRAIR Commander Colonel Deydre Teyhen

ADF Malaria and Infectious Disease Institute Director Dr. (Colonel (Ret.)) Dennis Shanks

Keynote Address

Major General Barbara R. Holcomb

Commanding General, U.S. Army Medical Research
and Materiel Command and Fort Detrick

Recognition

Closing Comments

Major Victor Zottig

Departure of Official Party

Intermission/Photos

Reception

Commanding General U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command and Fort Detrick Fort Detrick, Maryland 21702-5000

October 19, 2018

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Sincerely,

Barbara R. Holcomb Major General, U.S. Army Commanding General